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DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSGENIC MULBERRY PLANT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi University has developed the first transgenic mulberry plant in the world with drought and salinity tolerance;

(b) if so, whether these plants have been tested for proper gene expression; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) Yes, Sir. Delhi University has developed the first transgenic mulberry plant harboring gene with a potential to confer tolerance to drought and salinity tolerance.

(b) & (c): These plants are in the process of being tested for proper gene expression.